#### **AGENDA**

#### CONNECTICUT BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 9:00 AM
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Third Floor – Hearing Room

# **CALL TO ORDER**

### I. Minutes

Review and approval of the minutes of the August 5, 2015 meeting.

## II. <u>Department of Public Health Updates</u>

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor

### III. Old Business

Regulations for Veterinary Facilities

# IV. New Business

Schedule meeting dates for 2016

## V. <u>Additional Agenda Items</u>

### **ADJOURN**

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The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor, Hearing Room, Hartford, Connecticut, on August 5, 2015.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne O'Neill, Esg., Chairperson - via telephone

G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq. Theresa Cianciolo, DVM

Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM

Timothy Plunkett, DVM

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Olinda Morales, Hearing Officer, DPH

Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:03\_a.m.

### I. Minutes – April 27, 2014

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

Ms. O'Neill joined the meeting by telephone at 9:04 a.m.

### II. New Business

Lapsed Licenses and Dismissals

Christian D. Andresen, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing & Investigations provided an overview of the process by which a practitioner with a lapsed license is reinstated.

Mr. Andresen also explained that the practice of having a Board member review dismissed complaint investigations will be discontinued.

### III. Department Of Public Health Updates

#### Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently19 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH, of which 8 are being reviewed by consultants. 2 additional cases have been referred to the Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review.

The Board discussed with Mr. Griffin the ongoing need for veterinary consultants. Dr. Plunkett suggested that an announcement in the Connecticut Veterinary Medical Association's newsletter may be helpful.

Mr. Griffin was asked to provided updates at future meetings

## IV. Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance

A. Barbara Hess, DVM – Petition No. 2013-585

Brittany Allen, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Jason J. Lewellyn was present on behalf of Dr. Hess.

Mr. Bernhard made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, to adopt the Consent Order which imposes reprimand. The motion passed unanimously. The Order was signed by Dr. Plunkett.

Ms. O'Neill left the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

# V. <u>Administrative Hearing</u>

The Board held an administrative hearing in the matter of Adel A. Saleh, DVM, Petition No. 2014-389. Staff Attorney Brittany Allen was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health (DPH). Dr. Saleh was present but was not represented. Hearing Officer Olinda Morales provided counsel to the Board.

The hearing began at 9:24 a.m. and concluded at11:10 a.m.

Following the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. On a motion by Dr. Plunkett, seconded by Dr. Cianciolo, the Board found that the allegations in the Statement of Charges were proven. The motion passed. Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono that respondent's license be placed on probation for 9 months during which he will need to complete course work pertaining to medical record keeping. In addition respondent will be required to have a practice supervisor during the probationary period who will review respondent's recording keeping and issue a report to the DPH every three months. The motion passed.

### VI. Old Business

Review of Regulations for Veterinary Facilities

The Board reviewed proposed changes to the regulations for veterinary facilities with Hearing Officer Morales. Hearing Officer Morales will forward a draft of the regulations for internal review by the DPH.

## VII. Adjournment

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine